

Studio Gang Staying Quiet on New Supertall Tower Plans

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[The new 89 story tower is planned for the Lakeshore East community]

Yesterday, [big news](#) hit the Chicago development and architecture world, but it caused nearly everyone to ask the same question - *is **Jeanne Gang** the architect behind the newly unveiled supertall tower?* At this point, there has been neither confirmation, nor denial, however [all clues point to Studio Gang](#). News of the **89 story**, \$900 million tower first broke over in China and quickly made its way over to the US. In the [announcement on developer Wanda Group's website](#) and in an article published by Chinese news outlet Sina Corp., a [rendering was included, but was not credited](#), leading many in the Chicago architecture world scrambling to put the pieces together. After connecting the dots, all [indicators point directly](#) to Studio Gang.

The tower even [matches a description mentioned in a New Yorker profile](#) of Jeanne Gang that was published back in May. However, the Chicago-based architecture outfit has kept quiet. Gang herself has [declined requests for comment](#) on the new tower. Could this signal a botched media rollout for the new tower? It's very likely. A spokesperson for City Hall has even stated that they were [not aware that the announcement was coming](#). Perhaps the Chinese-based developer unveiled the news within their country, but did not coordinate with their US-based architects for a unified media push. News travels very quickly these days. At this point, it's all **speculation** until either Magellan Development, Wanda Group or Studio Gang speaks up. We'll have to wait just a little longer for more details to emerge.